

Model United Nations General Assembly

INFORMATION ON JUDGING AND AWARDS

Awards will be given at the Model UN General Assembly in the following categories:

First Place	Best Overall Delegation
Second & Third Place	Runner-up Awards
Fourth–Tenth Places	Special Merit Certificates
Best in Committee	Awarded to the delegation given highest marks in each committee
Best Resolution	Awarded to the delegation submitting the best resolution
The School with the collectively best resolutions	Awarded to the school with the highest number of <i>well-written</i> resolutions.

Here is what the judges will be looking for from Model UN delegates:

1. **Accurate representation** of the delegate nation's true position in the United Nations; and knowledge of the nation's politics, policies, culture, history, demographics, etc. as appropriate to the discussion and debate
2. **Preparation / Knowledge**, as reflected by knowledge of issues under debate; ability to respond to questions regarding discussion or debate
3. **Presentation skills** (debate, public speaking skills, etc.); and **technique** (follows procedure, complies with chair, etc.)
4. **Caucus activity**: working with other delegations to reach compromise, to create amendments, to put forth the position of less-influential countries, or to consolidate major world alliances
5. **Applicability of amendments** submitted that are relevant to the original resolution and consistent with the delegation country's foreign policies
6. **Parliamentary procedure** (see Rules of Procedure): using parliamentary procedure to facilitate debate and discussion; and for constructive application of procedures for directing debate (request for tabling issues, requesting caucus, etc.). Procedures should be non-obstructionist in nature (unless being obstructionist is totally within a country's national interest)
7. **Delegate decorum**, for appropriate behavior befitting the nature and purpose of the United Nations, including proper decorum, attitude, ability to listen and compromise, tact, courtesy, general spirit, and ability to work cooperatively (with other delegates, within their own delegation, etc.)

Judges will mark 1 point (+ or -) for specific criteria on a judge's evaluation sheet. Your delegation can still receive a positive score even if you do not accomplish all of the tasks listed above, *although all delegates should always follow number 7 (delegate decorum).*

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